

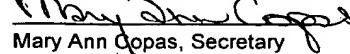
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## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

In accordance with 37 CFR § 1.56, Applicant wishes to call the attention of the Examiner to the following references:

1) DE 36 27 598 C2

2) US 5,683,518

3) JP10-98048

4) US 4,958,061

5) US 4,698,486

6) WO 97/06288

7) International Search Report

The relevance of reference 1) has been discussed in the instant specification on page 1 and the relevance of references 2) and 3) has been discussed in the instant

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specification on page 2.

Reference 4, 5 and 6 have been cited in the International Search Report and are submitted to provide the Examiner easy access to said references. Reference 7 is a copy of the International Search Report.

Copies of the listed documents are submitted herewith along with the form PTO-1449.

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Consideration of the foregoing in relation to this application is respectfully requested.

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